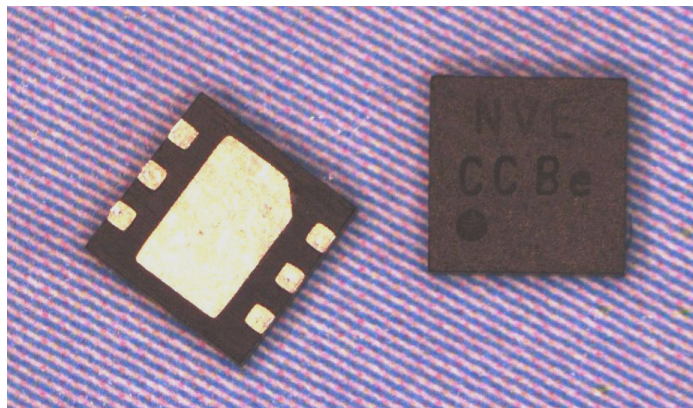


## SM124-10E GMR Smart Magnetometer



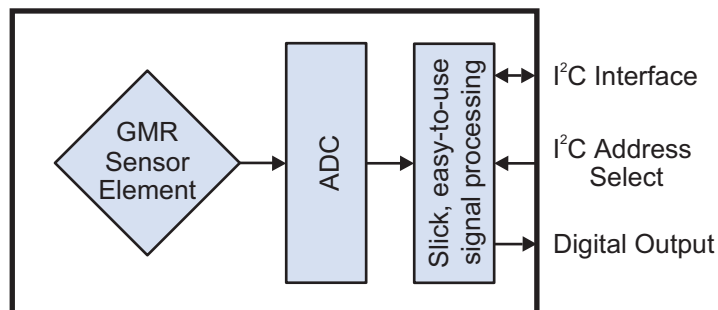
### Features

- Sensitive (0 to 10 Oe / 0 to 1 mT linear range)
- Can detect magnets more than 50 mm away
- Slick, single-byte communication interface
- Analog field measurement plus on/off digital output
- Internal temperature compensation
- Factory calibrated
- Programmable offset and gain correction
- In-plane sensitivity—more usable than Hall effect sensors
- Optional magnet temperature compensation
- 2.2 to 3.6V supply
- 3.3 or 5V compatible I<sup>2</sup>C interface
- Ultraminiature 2.5 x 2.5 x 0.8 mm TDFN6 package

### Key Specifications

- 8 bit / 1% output resolution
- -40°C to +125°C operating range
- 5% FS accuracy for 0 to 85°C
- 10 kSps sample rate for fast response
- 6 mA typical supply current

### Simplified Block Diagram



### Applications

- Proximity sensing
- Current sensing
- Security and intrusion detection
- Automotive applications
- Cylinder position sensing

### Description

SM124 Smart Magnetometers provide precise magnetic field measurements. The sensors combine Giant Magnetoresistance (GMR) sensor elements with easy-to-use digital signal processing.

Unlike awkward, old-fashioned Hall-effect sensors, GMR is sensitive in-plane for optimal current sensing and easy mechanical interfaces. GMR also provides more sensitivity, higher precision, higher speed, and lower noise than Hall.

A digital output provides precise, programmable thresholds. An I<sup>2</sup>C interface provides magnetic field data, as well as a calibration interface. The device is factory calibrated for high accuracy. Calibration coefficients are stored in internal nonvolatile memory.

All commands, data, and coefficients are a single byte, and a slick, elegant data structure lets you get up and running with a minimum of firmware.

### Transfer Functions



### Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                  | Min. | Max.                        | Units |
|----------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-------|
| Supply voltage             | -0.3 | 4.2                         | Volts |
| SCL and SDA input voltages | -0.5 | $V_{CC} + 2.5$<br>up to 5.8 | Volts |
| Storage temperature        | -55  | 150                         | °C    |
| ESD (Human Body Model)     |      | 2000                        | Volts |
| Applied magnetic field     |      | Unlimited                   | Oe    |

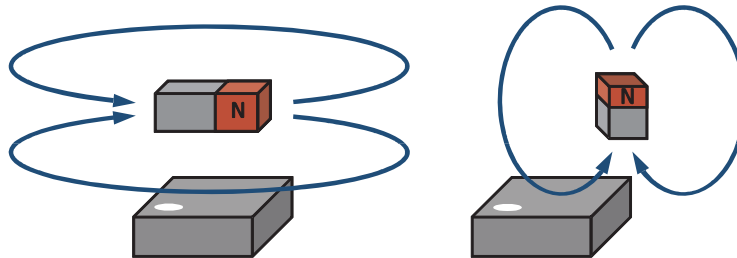
## Operating Specifications

| T <sub>min</sub> to T <sub>max</sub> ; 2.2 < V <sub>DD</sub> < 3.6 V unless otherwise stated. |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|------|--------|--------------------------------|
| General   | Symbol                              | Min.                  | Typ.   | Max. | Units  | Test Condition                 |
| Operating temperature   | T <sub>min</sub> ; T <sub>max</sub> | −40                   |        | 125  | °C     |                                |
| Supply voltage  | V <sub>DD</sub>                     | 2.2                   |        | 3.6  | V      |                                |
| Supply current  | I <sub>DD</sub>                     |                       | 6      | 7    | mA     | Max. at V <sub>DD</sub> = 3.6V |
| Power-on Reset supply voltage   | V <sub>POR</sub>                    |                       | 1.4    |      | V      |                                |
| Brown-out power supply voltage  | V <sub>BOR</sub>                    | 0.75                  | 1      | 1.36 | V      |                                |
| Digital out high voltage  | V <sub>OH</sub>                     | V <sub>DD</sub> − 0.7 |        |      | V      | I <sub>OH</sub> = −5 mA        |
| Digital out low voltage   | V <sub>OL</sub>                     | 0.5                   |        |      | V      | I <sub>OL</sub> = 15 mA        |
| Magnetics   |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Linear range  |                                     | 0                     |        | 10   | Oe     |                                |
| Saturation  |                                     |                       | 15     |      |        |                                |
| Resolution  | δH                                  |                       | 0.1    |      |        |                                |
| Accuracy (% of linear range)  |                                     |                       |        | ±5   | % FS   | 0 to 85°C,<br>Unipolar         |
|   |                                     |                       |        | ±10  |        | −40 to 125°C,<br>Unipolar      |
| Precision and Speed   |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Resolution  |                                     |                       | ±1     |      | %      |                                |
| Digital precision   |                                     |                       | 7      |      | bits   |                                |
| Sample rate   |                                     |                       | 10     |      | kSps   |                                |
| Output response time  |                                     |                       | 85     |      | μs     |                                |
| Start-up time   | T <sub>STA</sub>                    |                       | 1      |      | ms     |                                |
| Internal Temperature Sensor   |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Temperature accuracy (factory calibrated)   |                                     |                       |        | ±2.5 | °C     | 25 to 85°C                     |
|   |                                     |                       |        | ±5   | °C     | −40 to 125°C                   |
| I <sup>2</sup> C Interface  |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Data transfer rate  | DR                                  |                       |        | 400  | kBaud  |                                |
| Bus voltage   | V <sub>BUS</sub>                    | 2.2                   |        | 5.5  | V      |                                |
| Output response and transmission times  |                                     |                       |        | 20   | μs     | 400 kBaud                      |
| Low level input threshold voltage   | V <sub>IL</sub>                     | 0.8                   |        |      | V      |                                |
| High level input threshold voltage  | V <sub>IH</sub>                     |                       |        | 2.2  | V      |                                |
| Low level output current  | I <sub>OL</sub>                     | 3                     |        | mA   |        | V <sub>OL</sub> = 0.4V         |
| I/O capacitance   | C <sub>I/O</sub>                    |                       |        | 10   | pF     |                                |
| Nonvolatile Memory  |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Write time  |                                     |                       |        | 15   | msec   |                                |
| Endurance   |                                     |                       | 10,000 |      | Cycles |                                |
| Package Thermal Characteristics   |                                     |                       |        |      |        |                                |
| Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance  | θ <sub>JA</sub>                     |                       | 320    |      | °C/W   |                                |
| Package power dissipation   |                                     |                       | 500    |      | mW     |                                |

## SM124 Overview

### Direction of Magnetic Sensitivity

As the field varies in intensity, the digital output will turn on and off. Unlike Hall effect or other sensors, the direction of sensitivity is in the plane of the package. The diagrams below show two permanent magnet orientations that will activate the sensor in the direction of sensitivity:



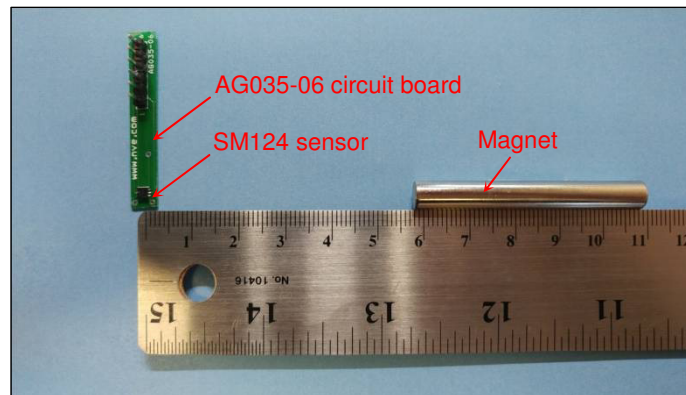
**Figure 1. Direction of magnetic sensitivity.**

These sensors are “omnipolar,” meaning the outputs turn ON when a magnetic field of either magnetic polarity is applied.

### Typical Operation

#### Position Sensing

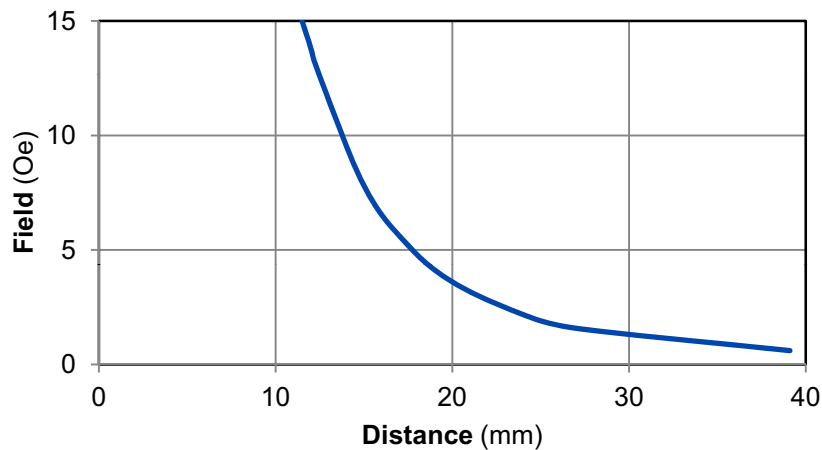
A typical proximity sensor using an SM124-10E sensor and magnet is shown below. With a 4 Oe operate point, the sensor actuates with a rare-earth magnet at more than 50 mm (two inches) from the sensor:



**Figure 2. The SM124-10E sensor can be activated by a magnet more than 50 mm away.  
Maximum sensitivity is in plane with the sensor, with the magnet axis in the pin 2/pin 5 sensor axis.  
The part is sensitive to either north or south fields.**

Thresholds even lower than 4 Oe can be programmed, although care must be taken to account for the earth’s magnetic field, which is typically in the 0.5 Oe range.

Typical magnetic operate distances for the SM124 is illustrated in the following graphs with an inexpensive ceramic disk magnet:



**Figure 3. Field vs. distance from the center of the sensor**  
(NVE part number 12216; ferrite magnet; d=6 mm; t=4 mm; C1/Y10T;  $M_s=B_r=2175$  G).

Larger and stronger magnets allow farther operate and release distances. For more calculations, use our axial disc magnetic field versus distance Web application at:

[www.nve.com/spec/calculators.php#tabs-Axial-Disc-Magnet-Field](http://www.nve.com/spec/calculators.php#tabs-Axial-Disc-Magnet-Field).

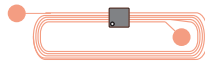
#### **Noncontact Current Sensing**

SM124 sensors can measure the current through a circuit board trace by detecting the magnetic field generated by the current through the trace. The sensor is ideal for these applications because of the low fields generated. The digital output can be used for current threshold detection or overcurrent protection.

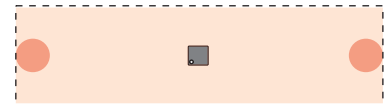
Typical current sensing configurations are shown below:



**Figure 4a. 0.05" (1.3 mm) trace on top of PCB**  
(2.8 Oe/amp; 3.5 A linear range).

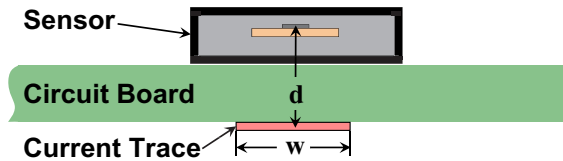


**Figure 4b. Five-turn, 0.0055" (0.14 mm) trace on top of PCB**  
(14 Oe/amp; 700 mA linear range).



**Figure 4c. 0.5" (13 mm) trace on bottom of 0.15" (3.8 mm) thick PCB**  
(0.4 Oe/amp; 30 A linear range).

For the geometry shown below and narrow traces, the magnetic field generated can be approximated by Ampere's law:



**Figure 4. The geometry of current-sensing over a circuit board trace.**

$$H = \frac{2I}{d} \quad [\text{"H" in oersteds, "I" in amps, and "d" in millimeters}]$$

For traces on the top side of the board, "d" is simply the distance of the sensor element from the bottom of the package, which is 0.5 millimeters.

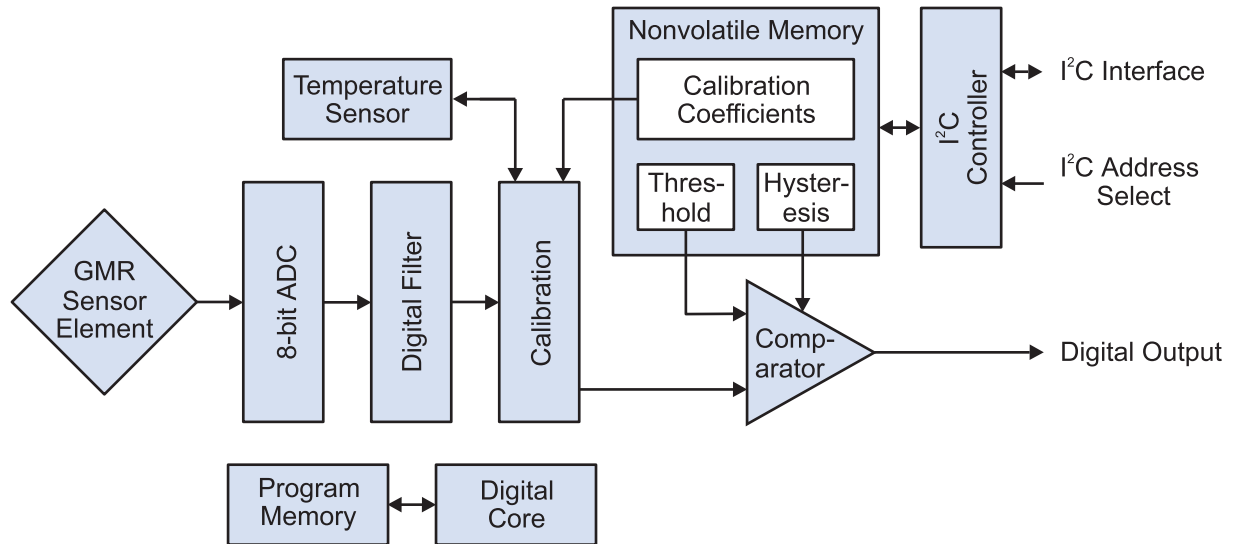
Traces on the top side of the board are typically used for currents of 2.5 amps or less. Large traces on the bottom side of the PCB can be used for currents of up to 30 amps.

More precise calculations can be made by breaking the trace into a finite element array of thin traces, and calculating the field from each array element. We have a free, Web-based application with a finite-element model to estimate magnetic fields and sensor outputs in this application:

[www.nve.com/spec/calculators.php#tabs-Current-Sensing](http://www.nve.com/spec/calculators.php#tabs-Current-Sensing)

## Operation

A detailed block diagram is shown below:



**Figure 5. Detailed block diagram.**

### Sensor Element

SM124 sensors use unique GMR sensor elements that are inherently high sensitivity, high speed, and low noise.

### ADC

The sensor output is digitized with an eight-bit ADC.

### Digital Filter

A first-order Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) digital filter with a programmable cutoff frequency can be used for ultralow noise if high-frequency operation is required. The factory default is the filter turned off.

### Single-Byte Addresses, Data, and Parameters

All data and parameters are input and output as single bytes (eight bits). This provides at least 1% precision while eliminating the need to concatenate upper and lower bytes.

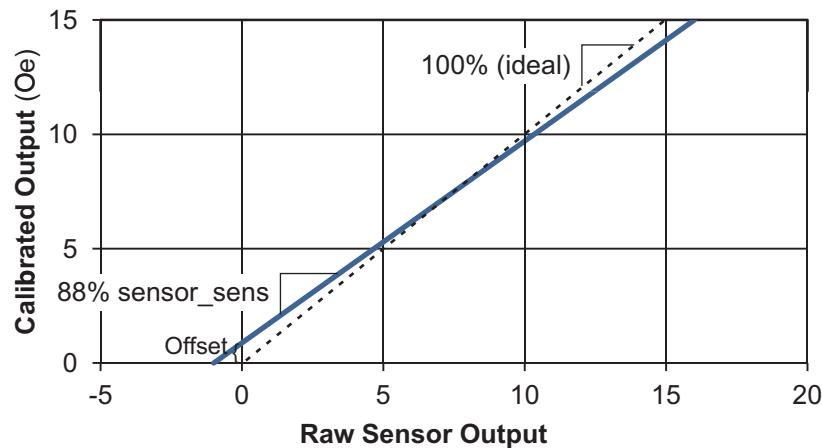
### No Communications Overhead

Data are always valid, so there is no need to wait for data during an I²C read, and there are no set-up commands or error handling required.

### Sensitivity and Offset Calibration

The sensor element is factory calibrated for sensitivity, offset, linearity, and temperature compensation. The user can also calibrate the output for a particular system.

A sensor calibration curve is illustrated below:



**Figure 6. Illustrative sensor calibration curve.**

There are two sensor calibration parameters, sensitivity and offset. Sensitivity is expressed as a percentage of nominal; offset is expressed as bits out of seven bits full scale. Calibration parameters are stored in nonvolatile memory, and can be read or written via I<sup>2</sup>C.

Mathematically, the corrected sensor output is calculated as follows:

$$\text{sensor} = ((\text{temperature}) * \text{tempco} / 100000 + 1) * (\text{sensor\_raw}) / \text{sensor\_sens} - \text{sensor\_offset}$$

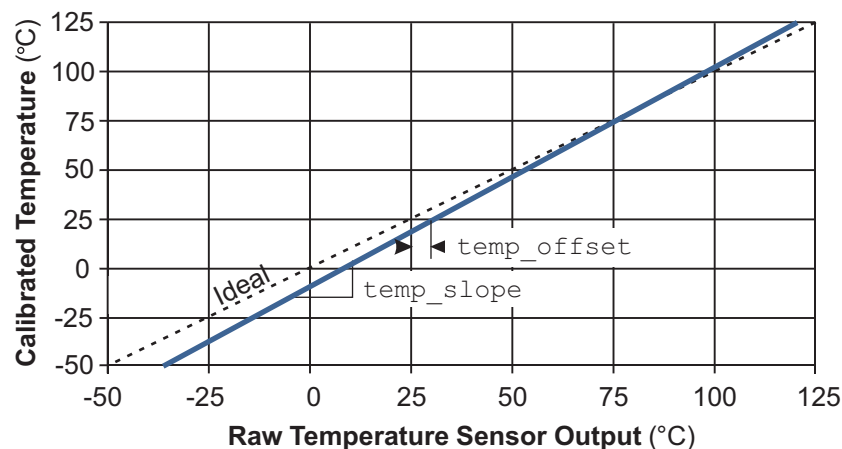
where “sensor” is the corrected sensor output, “temperature” is the measured temperature in °C, and the other operands are parameters provided from factory calibration. “tempco” is expressed in %/1000°C and as a positive number for convenience although GMR actually has a negative temperature coefficient, meaning it is less sensitive at higher temperatures.

### ***Magnet Temperature Compensation***

There are also optional magnet temperature profiles that can be used to compensate for the loss of magnetic field strength as temperature increases. Two profiles are available: one for low-cost ferrite magnets and another for high field rare-earth magnets. Reading from a particular temperature compensation profile also sets the magnetic threshold to use that profile.

### ***Temperature Sensor***

An internal temperature sensor is used to compensate the sensor element, and the temperature sensor itself is factory calibrated for slope and offset. Like magnetic field, temperature can be read via I<sup>2</sup>C and can also be user calibrated.



**Figure 7. Temperature sensor calibration.**



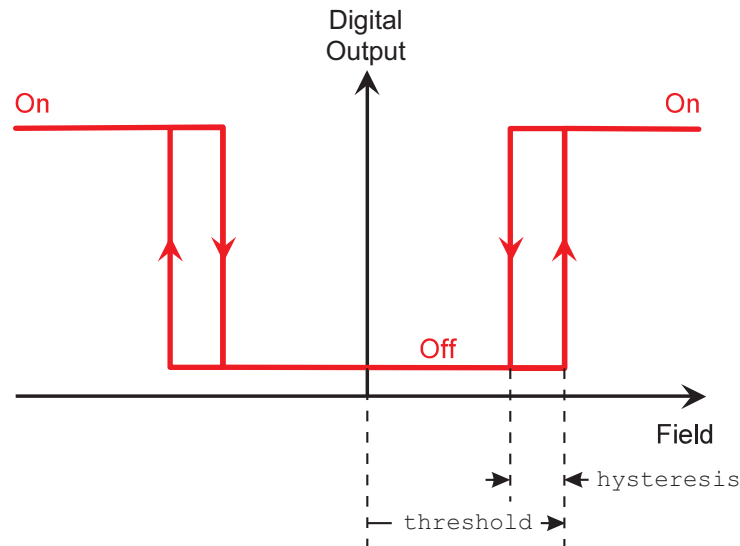
Mathematically, temperature is corrected as follows:

$$\text{temperature} = (\text{temperature\_raw}) * 100 / \text{temp\_slope} + \text{temp\_offset}$$

where “temp\_offset” is the temperature error at 0°C (positive indicating the sensor reads low); and temp\_slope is the temperature sensor sensitivity expressed as a percent of ideal; greater than 100% indicates the sensor reads high.

### Comparator and Digital Output

A digital comparator drives the Digital Output (“DOUT”) pin, which by default goes HIGH when the sensor field exceeds the threshold, then LOW when the field drops below the threshold minus hysteresis as illustrated below:



**Figure 8. Digital Output parameters.**

Unlike some other parts, the digital output is continuously updated at high speed and runs independently of the SPI interface. The SM124 can therefore be used with factory defaults, or customer programmed Digital Output parameters without an I<sup>2</sup>C connection,

Threshold and hysteresis parameters, expressed as percentages of the sensor’s linear range, and are set and stored in nonvolatile memory. Threshold parameters can be set once for the life of the device if desired.

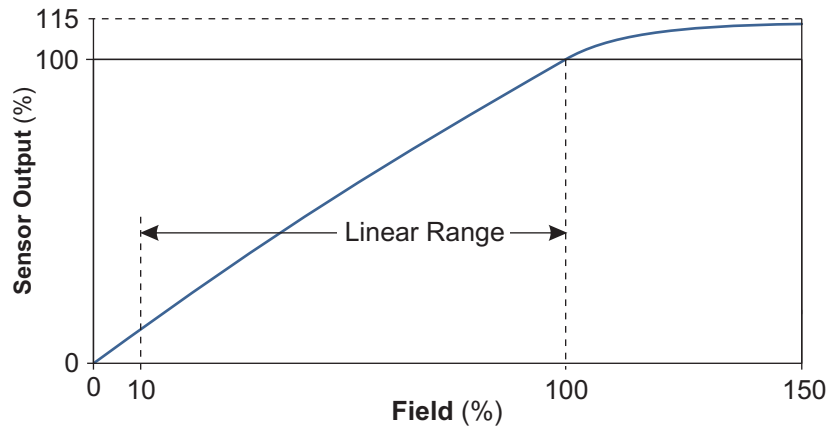
The “DOUT\_invert” parameter can be set to invert DOUT. DOUT has high output drive capability, especially current-sinking. Inverting DOUT and connecting an LED, relay, or other load between V<sub>DD</sub> and DOUT takes advantage of the Digital Output’s high current-sink capability.

### Latching Mode

If *Hysteresis* is greater than *Threshold*, DOUT will latch ON when the field exceeds the threshold. A *Hysteresis* value of 255 (dec) can be used to ensure the latching mode. The output can be reset by setting it to 0 via I<sup>2</sup>C or by cycling the sensor power. This mode can be used to implement a “virtual circuit breaker” for overcurrent protection.

### *Graceful Saturation*

Unlike other magnetic sensor technologies, GMR sensing elements gradually saturate at high fields, rather than suddenly becoming unresponsive. This allows over-field sensing if high accuracy is not required, such as detecting tamper fields or high fault currents. The linear range is up to 10 Oe, which corresponds to an output value of 100, but sensor typically does not saturate until 15 Oe and the digital resolution extends to 255, which allows measurements all the way to saturation. The typical magnetic response is illustrated below:



**Figure 9. Graceful saturation of sensor element.**

### ***Temperature Compensation***

SM124 sensors compensate for an inherent slight decrease in GMR sensitivity with temperature. Each sensor is factory calibrated and do not normally need to be recalibrated. If necessary, however, the temperature coefficient can be rewritten, or the user's sensor system can be calibrated based on a coefficient incorporating the change in magnet strength with temperature.

The sensor also has built-in options to compensate for magnet strength degradation with temperature. The magnet compensation uses established residual induction temperature coefficients. Two corrections are available: one for ferrite ceramic magnets, and the other for neodymium rare-earth magnets.

### ***Restoring Factory Calibration***

Writing a "1" to sensor memory location 0x7 restores factory calibration settings.

### ***I<sup>2</sup>C Interface***

The I<sup>2</sup>C interface is an industry standard full-duplex 400 kHz connection with the sensor as the slave to an external master such as a microcontroller. I<sup>2</sup>C Data (SDA) and Clock (SCL) are 3.3- and five-volt compliant.

Consistent with industry practice, SDA is open-drain, and a pull-up resistor to V<sub>DD</sub> is normally needed.

A schematic of a typical 3.3- or five-volt microcontroller interface is show in the "Typical Circuit" section of this datasheet.

### ***Factory Programming***

Factory programming of any parameters is available Contact us for specifics.

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**Applications Information**

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***Supply Decoupling***

$V_{DD}$  should be bypassed with a 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor placed as close as possible to the  $V_{DD}$  and GND pins.

***I<sup>2</sup>C Address***

In accordance with industry standards, SM124 sensors have eight-bit I<sup>2</sup>C addresses (seven bits plus a R/W bit). The I<sup>2</sup>C standard reserves addresses 0 to 7, so allowable I<sup>2</sup>C addresses are 8 to 127. Note that some I<sup>2</sup>C Master devices (such as Arduinos) send seven-bit addresses. In this case, the SM124 address should be divided by two, so for example a default I<sup>2</sup>C address of 36 rather than 72 would be used.

***Changing the I<sup>2</sup>C Address in Nonvolatile Memory***

The I<sup>2</sup>C address is stored in nonvolatile memory, and can be changed like any other parameter. If there are multiple SM124s on the same I<sup>2</sup>C bus, however, there will be a collision before addresses can be changed. Therefore changing the address in this way may require a single-sensor programming setup.

***Changing the I<sup>2</sup>C Address with an External Jumper***

The I2CADDR pin is read on power-up. If the pin is not connected or tied to  $V_{DD}$ , the I<sup>2</sup>C address will default to 72 dec (88 hex). Grounding the pin changes the I<sup>2</sup>C address to 16 dec (10 hex).

The nonlinear resistor progression maximizes the separation between voltages to allow for tolerances of the internal pull-up and external resistor. One-percent resistor tolerances are recommended.

### **Elegant Architecture**

The SM124 uses a unique “Von Neumann” architecture where all data and parameters are written and read from memory. This eliminates the need for explicit commands. In addition, all data and coefficients are just one byte, which dramatically simplifies firmware, streamlines system development, and allows high-speed communication over a simple two-wire I<sup>2</sup>C interface.

### **Reading and Writing the Sensor Memory**

Data is read by first writing an address byte to the sensor (with the I<sup>2</sup>C Read/Write bit set to “Write”). Subsequent I<sup>2</sup>C read commands will return the data or parameter in the active address. The address does not need to be re-sent before every read, so data can be read repetitively with only a single-byte read.

The default memory address is 0, which points to the calibrated sensor output, so “out of the box” the sensor output can simply be retrieved with I<sup>2</sup>C read commands.

Reads from unsupported addresses will return 0xFF; writing to unsupported addresses has no effect.

## Memory Allocation

Addresses 0 to F hex are read-only data stored in RAM; addresses 20 to 2F hex are read/write calibration parameters stored in nonvolatile memory; and addresses 80 to 8F hex are constants stored in Read Only Memory:

|  | Symbol        | Default | Read/Write | Range      | Address | Description   |
|--|---------------|---------|------------|------------|---------|---|
| <b>RAM (0x hex)</b>  |               |         |            |            |         |   |
| Sensor (calibrated)  | Sensor        |         | R          | 0 – 255    | 0x00    | 100 = 10 Oe / 1 mT  |
| Sensor output (temperature corrected for a ferrite ceramic magnet) | Sensor_Fe     |         | R          | 0 – 255    | 0x01    | Corrects for magnet strength degradation with temperature.  |
| Sensor output (temperature corrected for a ferrite ceramic magnet) | Sensor_Nd     |         | R          | 0 – 255    | 0x02    |   |
| Sensor (uncalibrated)  | Sensor_Raw    |         | R          | –128 – 127 | 0x03    | Raw bridge output, unsigned. Wraps around if overflow.  |
| Temperature  | Temperature   |         | R          | –128 – 127 | 0x04    | °C  |
| Digital output   | DOUT          | 0       | R/W        | 0 – 1      | 0x05    |   |
| V <sub>I2CADDR</sub>   | I2CADDR       | 255     | R          | 0 – 255    | 0x06    | I2CADDR pin reading (read on power-up)  |
| Factory setting restore  |               |         | R          | 0-1        | 0x07    | Writing a “1” restores factory calibration parameters   |
| <b>Nonvolatile Memory (2x hex)</b>                                 |               |         |            |            |         |   |
| Sensor digital threshold   | threshold     | 100     | R/W        | 1 – 255    | 0x20    | 100 = 10 Oe / 1 mT  |
| Magnetic threshold differential                                    | hysteresis    | 10      | R/W        | 0 – 127    | 0x21    | 100 = 10 Oe / 1 mT; 255 invokes latching  |
| Digital output invert  | DOUT_invert   | 0       | R/W        | 0 – 1      | 0x22    | HIGH to invert DOUT   |
| Sensor offset  | sensor_offset | 0       | R/W        | –128 – 127 | 0x23    |   |
| Sensor sensitivity   | sensor_sens   | 100     | R/W        | 0 – 256    | 0x24    | % of spec.  |
| Temperature coef. of sensitivity                                   | tempco        | 100     | R/W        | 0 – 256    | 0x25    | % of spec.  |
| Temperature sensor offset  | temp_offset   | 0       | R/W        | –128 – 127 | 0x26    | °C  |
| Temperature slope  | temp_slope    | 100     | R/W        | 0 – 256    | 0x27    | Temp. cal. curve (%)  |
| Digital filter constant  | m             | 1       | R/W        | 1 – 127    | 0x29    | $f_{\text{CUTOFF}} = f_{\text{SAMPLE}} / (2\pi m)$ ;<br>$f_{\text{SAMPLE}} = 10 \text{ kSps}$<br>$m = 1$ disables filter                                      |
| I <sup>2</sup> C pull-ups enabled                                  |               | 1       | R/W        | 0 – 1      | 0x2A    | 1 = enable pull-ups (no pull-ups on Master);<br>0 = disable pull-ups (pull-ups on Master)   |
| <b>Read-Only Memory (8x hex)</b>                                   |               |         |            |            |         |   |
| Lot code   |               |         | R          |            | 80-85   | Date code in ASCII; right-most character in address 80; left-most in address 85; format YYWWXX, where<br>YY = year;<br>WW = work week;<br>XX = internal code. |

Table 2. SM124 memory addresses.

### Power-Up and Initialization; What's Nonvolatile and What's Not

The above table is grouped into nonvolatile and nonvolatile.

All *parameters*, including threshold and hysteresis, are nonvolatile so they can be set once via I<sup>2</sup>C, then used without a microcontroller.

Measured and calculated *data* such as magnetic field and temperature are indeterminate until the first readings after power-up.

The default memory address is not preserved after power-down, and defaults to 0 (calibrated magnetic field). The active address remains until it is changed, so multiple reads of the same address do not require writing the address before each read.

DOUT is not saved but initializes in the low field state. This ensures it will not be “latched” initially when used in the latching mode.

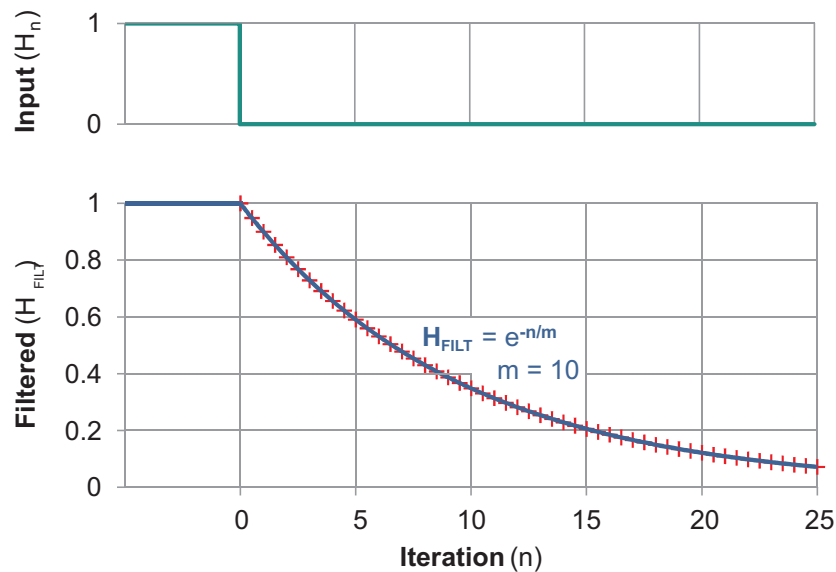
### Digital Filter

The digital filter is an Infinite impulse response (IIR), weighted running average filter, where the filtered output is calculated as follows:

$$H_n = \frac{1}{m} H + \frac{m-1}{m} H_{n-1}$$

Where H = is the measured magnetic field;  $H_n$  = the filtered magnetic field;  $H_{n-1}$  is the previous value of the filtered magnetic field; and m is a constant that determines the cutoff frequency as described later.

The time-domain response is exponential, as shown below for a step change in magnetic field:



**Figure 10. Digital filter time-domain response.**

The filter provides a first-order response in the frequency domain:

$$f_{\text{CUTOFF}} = f_{\text{SAMPLE}} / (2\pi m)$$

Where  $f_{\text{CUTOFF}}$  is the filter cutoff frequency and  $f_{\text{SAMPLE}}$  is the sensor sampling rate (typically 10 kSps).

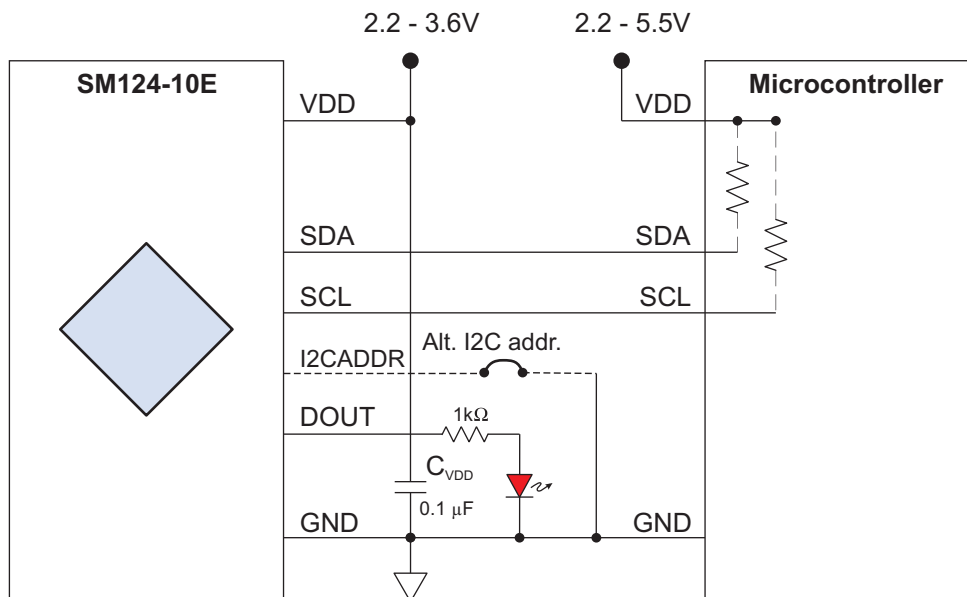
So for example, if  $m = 16$ , the cutoff frequency is approximately 200 Hz.

$m=0$  or  $m=1$  disables filter so the output will simply be updated with each sample.

## Application Circuits

### Microcontroller Interface

A typical microcontroller interface is shown below:



**Figure 11. Typical microcontroller connections.**

The SM124 is configured as a Slave and the microcontroller should be configured as the Master. The I<sup>2</sup>C interface is compatible with 3.3 or five-volt microcontrollers.

The SCL and SDA lines are open-drain, so the microcontroller's internal pull-up resistors should be activated in software. External resistors can be used to maximize rise time for high-speed I<sup>2</sup>C operation, or to preserve I<sup>2</sup>C speed if there are multiple slaves or a multi-master configuration adding bus capacitance. If external pull-ups are used with different power supplies, they should be connected to the lower supply voltage. A typical external pull-up resistors value is 10 kΩ. If I<sup>2</sup>C speed is not critical, the effects of bus capacitance can be overcome by slowing the I<sup>2</sup>C speed.

The I2CADDR pin can be left unconnected for the default I<sup>2</sup>C address (72 decimal/48 hex), or the pin can be ground to select an alternate address of address (16 decimal/10 hex) of seven alternate I<sup>2</sup>C addresses.

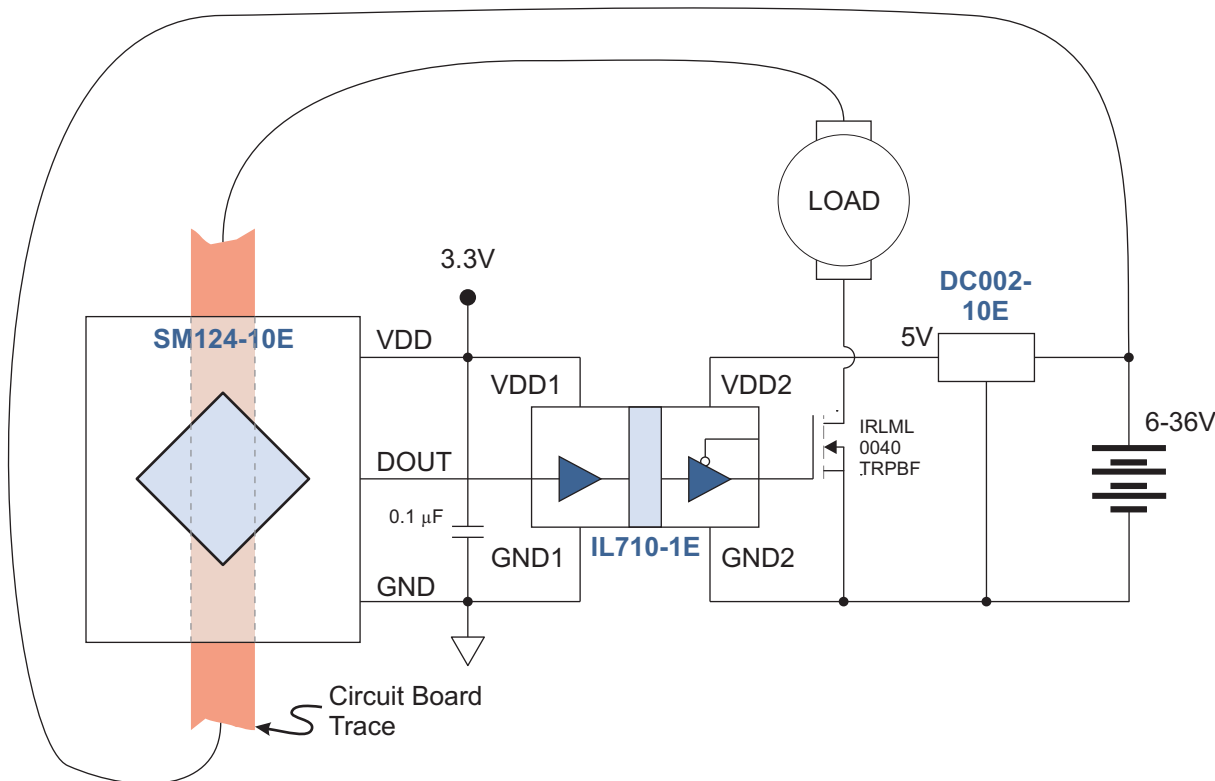
V<sub>DD</sub> should be bypassed with a 0.1 μF capacitor placed as close as possible to the V<sub>DD</sub> and GND pins.

An LED can be used to indicate the digital output. The appropriate series resistor depends on the supply voltage and LED type. A high-efficiency LED will operate over the sensor's entire 2.2 to 3.6V supply range with the 1 KΩ resistor, although its brightness will change with the supply voltage.



### Overcurrent Protection

The sensor's digital output can be used as a "virtual circuit breaker" for overcurrent protection of a load such as a DC motor:



**Figure 12. Typical overcurrent protection circuit.**

The IL710-1E is an ultraminiature (MSOP8) data coupler that isolates the controller power from the load power. The DC002-10E is a high-voltage tolerant, five-volt regulator to power the gate drive. The power MOSFET has 4.5 volt drive voltage and 3.6 amp and 40 volt drain-to-source voltage capability. The sensor is located over a trace that carries current to the motor.

In this configuration, DOUT\_invert is set to 1 to invert DOUT so that the output goes LOW for overcurrent. *Hysteresis* is set to 255 (dec) to invoke the latching mode where DOUT latches ON if the current exceeds the threshold. The output can be reset by via I<sup>2</sup>C or by cycling the sensor power.

If the field generated by the motor current exceeds the sensor's threshold, DOUT goes LOW, the isolator output also goes LOW, the MOSFET turns off, and power is removed from the load.

The SM124's high sample rate ensures rapid detection of an overcurrent condition. But unlike shunt resistor-based circuits, there are virtually no losses associated with current sensing, and the controller can be electrically isolated from the motor for less noise and more safety.

The SM124 can also drive solid-state relays rather than the isolator and MOSFET in Figure 12. Relays are normally connected from DOUT to VDD to take advantage of the output's high output sink capability. Relays with three-volt "Must Turn On Voltage" and fairly high input impedance can be driven directly by the sensor output.

**Illustrative Microcontroller Code**

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/******
Reads an out-of the-box SM124-10E Smart Position sensor with an Arduino Uno and outputs the
calibrated magnetic field to the serial port and an analog output.
I2C SDA on Arduino A4; SCL on A5; analog output on A9.
*****/

#include <Wire.h> //I2C library
int field; //Magnetic field (0-100 corresponds to 0-10 Oe)

void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600); //Initialize serial communication at 9.6 kbps
  Wire.begin(); //Join I2C bus as Master
}

void loop() {
  Wire.requestFrom(36,1); //Request one byte from the SM124 (I2C addr. 72 shifted right 1 bit)
  field = Wire.read(); //Read sensor (data always valid so a "While" loop isn't needed)
  Serial.println(field); //Print on Arduino serial port
  analogWrite(9, field); //Send as analog output to pin 9
  delay(500); //Two samples per second
}
```

```

/*****
Sets an SM124-10E threshold via an Arduino Uno. I2C SDA on A4; SCL on A5.
*****/
#include <Wire.h> //I2C Library
const unsigned char thresholdAddress = 0x20; //Sensor digital threshold
const unsigned char hysteresisAddress = 0x21; //Magnetic threshold differential

const unsigned char threshold = 100; //Threshold (100 = 10 Oe)
const unsigned char hysteresis = 10; // hysteresis (10 = 1 Oe)

void setup() {
  Wire.begin(); //Join I2C bus as Master
  Wire.beginTransmission(36); //Transmit to I2C addr 72 shifted right 1 bit (SM124 default)
  Wire.write(thresholdAddress); //Set Sensor active memory address to digital threshold
  Wire.write(threshold); //Send threshold data
  Wire.write(hysteresisAddress); //Set Sensor address to hysteresis
  Wire.write(hysteresis); //Send hysteresis data
  Wire.endTransmission();
  delay(15); //Allow parameters to be written to flash before proceeding
}

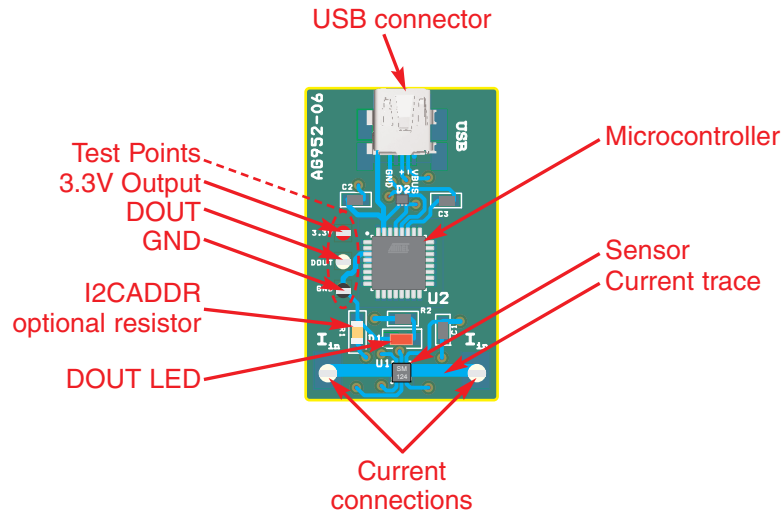
void loop() {
}

```

## Evaluation Kit

### Smart Current Sensor Evaluation Kit

This simple board includes an SM124-10E Smart Magnetometer, a microcontroller that interfaces to the SM124 via I<sup>2</sup>C, and interfaces to a PC via USB. The sensor can be activated with a magnet or an on-board current trace. A PC-based user interface provides two-way communication with the sensor to display the sensor outputs and allowing field calibration.



**Figure 13. AG952-07E: Smart Current Sensor Evaluation Kit board**  
1" x 1.625" (25 mm x 41 mm)  
(actual size)

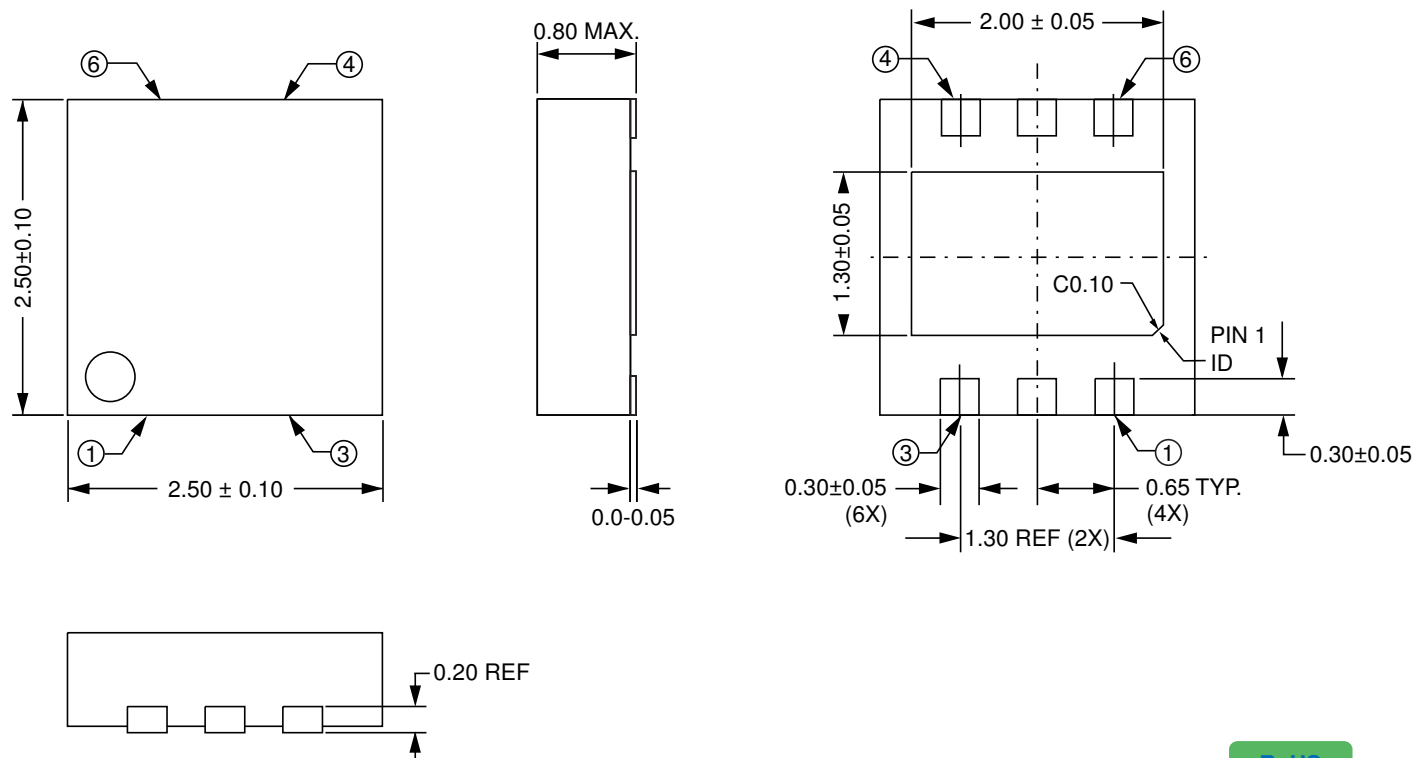
### Bare Circuit Board

The AG035-06 bare circuit board provides easy connections to TDFN6 devices such as the SM124-10E:



**Figure 14. AG035-06 bare circuit board**  
1.57" x 0.25" (40 mm x 6 mm) TDFN6  
(actual size)

### **2.5 x 2.5 mm TDFN6 Package**



| Pin | Symbol  | Description   |
|-----|---------|---|
| 1   | I2CADDR | Optional I <sup>2</sup> C address select (input)              |
| 2   | DOUT    | Digital Output (CMOS output; default HIGH if above threshold) |
| 3   | GND     | V <sub>ss</sub> /Ground                                       |
| 4   | VCC     | Power Supply (2.2 to 3.6V)                                    |
| 5   | SDA     | I <sup>2</sup> C Data (bidirectional; open drain)             |
| 6   | SCL     | I <sup>2</sup> C Clock (input)                                |

**Notes:**

- Dimensions in millimeters.
- Soldering profile per JEDEC J-STD-020C, MSL 1.

## Ordering Information

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# SM124-10E - 10E TR13

**SM** = Product Family (Smart Magnetometers)

**1** = GMR, 1 byte data

**2** = Magnetic Orientation (cross-axis, i.e., sensitive to a field vector in the pin 2 / pin 5 direction)

**4** = Magnetic Field Linear Range (0-10 Oe)

**10** = Part Package (2.5 x 2.5 mm TDFN6 package)

**E** = RoHS compliant (Pb-free)

### Bulk Packaging

TR13 = 13" Tape and Reel

## Available Parts

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| Part      | Linear Range | Package Marking |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| SM124-10E | 10 Oe (1 mT) | CCBe            |

### Revision History

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**SB-00-075-Prototype**

December 2018

**Change**

- Updated specifications for prototype.
- Deleted high-field version (SM125).

**SB-00-075-PRELIM-A**

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**Change**

- Updated specifications.
- Initial release.

**SB-00-075-PRELIM**

June 2018

**Change**

- Preliminary release.

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